FORT ORD CLEANUP PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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What it is: This Approval Memorandum provides a Track 0 (no action) evaluation for 10 parcels covering approximately 154 acres of the former Fort Ord. The Approval Memorandum provides descriptions of the areas, history and uses, investigations conducted to date, and rationales for designating these areas as Track 0 and recommending no action regarding munitions response. Some areas are adjacent to Track 1 sites where no further action regarding munitions response is required. Track 1 sites are those sites where military munitions were suspected to have been used, but based on an evaluation it was determined that either there is no evidence to indicate military munitions were used at the site, or the site was used for training, but the military munitions items used do not pose an explosive hazard, or the site was used for training with military munitions, but military munitions items that potentially remain as a result of training do not pose an unacceptable risk based on site specific evaluations. No Action was selected for the Track 0 Parcels in accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA). When approved by the regulatory agencies, the Plug-In Approval Memorandum will be become the decision document regarding munitions response for the Group D parcels.

WHERE TO GET A COPY: The Approval Memorandum is available at the following locations:

Internet: Go to www.fortordcleanup.com and go to the Document Review section to download a copy.

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